

09/384,394, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COMPRESSING VIDEO SEQUENCES," filed August 27, 1999, and Serial No. 09/428,066 filed October 27, 1999, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TRANSMITTING VIDEO AND GRAPHICS IN A COMPRESSED FORM."

This application is further a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/539,228, entitled "MESSAGING PROTOCOL FOR DEMAND-CAST SYSTEM AND BANDWIDTH MANAGEMENT," filed March 30, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/524,854, entitled "BANDWIDTH MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES FOR DELIVERY OF INTERACTIVE PROGRAM GUIDE," filed March 14, 2000.

The above-identified related applications are all assigned to the assignee of the present invention and incorporated herein by reference in their entirety for all purposes. Application Serial No. 09/466,990 is attached hereby as Exhibit A and Serial No. 09/539,228 is attached hereby as Exhibit B.

CONCLUSION

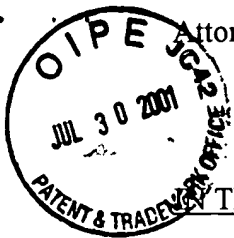
Attached is a marked up version of the changes made to the specification by the current preliminary amendment. The attached page is captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE."

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification at page 1, line 5, and please insert the following:

This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/220,910, entitled "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MULTICAST USING MULTIPLE TRANSPORT STREAMS", filed on July 26, 2000, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety for all purposes.

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/466,990, entitled "STREAM INDEXING FOR DELIVERY OF INTERACTIVE PROGRAM GUIDE," filed December 10, 1999, which is a continuation-in-part of Serial No. 09/293,535, entitled "IMPROVED DATA STRUCTURE AND METHODS FOR PROVIDING AN INTERACTIVE PROGRAM GUIDE", filed April 15, 1999, Serial No. 09/384,394, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COMPRESSING VIDEO SEQUENCES," filed August 27, 1999, and Serial No. 09/428,066 filed October 27, 1999, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TRANSMITTING VIDEO AND GRAPHICS IN A COMPRESSED FORM."

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